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AMENDMENT B AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

This is in connection with Applicant's Request for Continued Examination and in response to the Office Action mailed August 25, 2004. This response is being filed within the three-month shortened statutory period for reply. Accordingly, the Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, Applicant conditionally petitions for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that the need for such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked. As provided below, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2121 for any additional required fee. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.

Re-examination and reconsideration are requested.